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### GERMAN "GOOD NEWS."

Author Sent to Prison.

A short time ago the German people were rejoicing over a piece of news according to which the British troops had suffered a crushing defeat in the Soudan at the hands of the natives. The communication attached to this in the German press went no less than the beginning of the end of the British occupation of Egypt and the shaking of the foundation of the British Empire. The "gratifying" news appeared first in a leading Berlin paper, and was then daily propagated in the neutral press by the World Agency.

However, according to the "Wiener Abender Zeitung," the author of the news has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment and 300 marks fine before the Criminal Court of Dresden. It having been proved that the report was entirely a product of this man's fancy. He had posed as a fugitive from Egypt, and had offered the "well-written" account to the Berlin paper, which bought it eagerly for 300 marks, as also did the Wolf Agency. Later on it was found out that he had never been in Egypt, but that he was a swindler not unknown to the German police.

### SMALL NATIONS.

The German View.

The despatch by Baron Beyens, contained in the Belgian Grey Book, published recently, shows that Herr von Jagow, German Foreign Minister, invited M. Jules Cambon, then French Ambassador at Berlin, to a private conference and suggested that Germany, France, and Britain ought to come to an understanding regarding projected railways in Africa. M. Cambon suggested that Belgium should also be invited. Herr von Jagow replied: "By no means, our agreement must be as Belgium's expense." M. Cambon said: "I don't understand." Herr von Jagow replied: "King Leopold put a greater burden on Belgium's shoulders than she can carry. Belgium is not rich enough to carry out her 'imperial' enterprise and will have to give it up."

Herr von Jagow continued that the great Powers were alone in a position to organize, and that with a view to the economic transformation of Europe the small nations could no longer enjoy an independent existence. M. Cambon retorted: "Those are not the views of England and France." Herr von Jagow then said he was speaking as a private person and not as the Secretary of State. M. Cambon, however, informed Baron Beyens of the conversation.

### AUSTRALIAN HORSES.

In "Daily Magazine of Sports and Pastimes" for July, T. F. D. discusses Australian horses, and writes in praise of the breed, declaring that it has some valuable qualities which they have used of in England. The writer adds, "After my Indian experiences I should be inclined to say that the Australian horse is one of the best mounts for cavalry and artillery in the world, and that besides the services which these horses will do for us in the war, an infusion of Australian blood into our English breeding stock may do for the riding horse what Spornino, the dog of Cadiz, seems likely to do for the race horse. We often hear about the value of Farnham blood, I am not going to appreciate this, but I believe that the Australian is the true ancestor for the English riding horse, and that, as in the case of Eastern crosses, we shall see the best results when the new strains are introduced through the mare."

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## BY TELEGRAPH. THE WAR.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ANOTHER SPY EXECUTED.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The Press Bureau announces that another spy has been court-martialled at Westminster Guildhall and found guilty. He was executed to-day.

TURKS START MINING OPERATIONS IN DARDANELLES.

LONDON, Sept. 19.  
A Paris message reports continuous heavy cannonades of guns of all calibres. The communiques adds that nothing important has happened in the Dardanelles in the last few days, but that the Turks have started mining operations at several points which is a novel procedure for them. We completely destroyed their mines, suffering no losses ourselves.

NO ENEMY ARMY THREATENING SERBIA.

LONDON, Sept. 19.  
Reuter's agent in Paris says that M. Pastich, interviewed by a correspondent of the *Petit Parisien* at Nish, reports that French aviators show that hitherto no enemy army has been massed on the Danube. Anywise the Serbian army has recently been reorganised plentifully. It is mentioned that it would take more than 450,000 men to attempt to break through and establish a connection with the Turks. The question is: can Germany now spare so many men?

A HOSPITAL SHIP FOR THE FRENCH RED CROSS.

LONDON, Sept. 19.  
A message from Havre says that the steamer *Batavier III* has been chartered by private initiative in Holland and been equipped as a hospital ship with 2,000 beds. On arrival she was placed at the disposal of the French Red Cross.

RUSSIAN POLITICS.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The prorogation of the Duma follows a movement in favour of National government whereof however nothing further has recently been heard. It appears there has been a painful impression. Reuter's agent in Petrograd learns that at a private sitting of members of the Duma it was decided to convey to the Emperor its feelings concerning prorogation. The parties resolved not to disperse. At least half will remain in Petrograd. Nevertheless "Keep calm" is the watchword of all party meetings. The Press also is universally determined to do nothing that would play into the hands of the Germans. Thus the party leaders urged members not to withdraw from special committees in co-operation with various ministers concerned with the conduct of the war so that it won't be another "Vibory." Socialist labour leaders will use their influence with workmen in the local direction.

LATER.

The political situation in Russia is very obscure, but one fact emerging above everything is the patriotic restraint of all parties in the Duma, as shown by their calm behaviour. It is fully conscious of the great responsibility confided in it by the country and is worthily upholding them.

It is stated that the prorogation is a result of a recommendation made by the Premier (M. Gerasimov) which is opposed by the rest of the Cabinet. At the same time nobody questions his patriotic motives. Apparently he considered that the Duma had completed its task and that a prorogation of the Session would merely give an opportunity for pressing political developments which he considered "unimportant." The view of the others was that a continued Session would be in the best interests of the successful conduct of the war.

FUTILE RESULTS OF THE ZEPPELIN RAIDS.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
The Home Secretary to-night has issued a description by an impartial observer of the last Zeppelin raid on the London district. The precise localities attacked are not disclosed so as not to give information to the enemy because the German official reports prove that the commanders of the Zeppelins often make gross errors regarding their movements. The damage done is, in every case, to private property, mostly of the small residential kind, and the victims are women, children, shopkeepers and workers, the sacrifice of whose lives serves no military purpose whatever. The folly and futility of such raids can well be imagined when the Germans dropped bombs at random on a crowded London district without touching a public institution of any kind. If Count Zeppelin accompanied the raiders he will be disappointed to learn that only a minority of London's multitudes are aware of the presence of airships, and those who heard the guns and saw the Zeppelins showed interest and curiosity rather than fear. But that the London suburbs faced calmly their murderous efforts in nowise mitigates the callous and purposeless brutality of the raiders.

An observer narrates the following incidents:—  
A bomb was dropped on to the roof of a block of workmen's dwellings crowded with children. Two little children were killed instantly. This was when the Captain of the Zeppelin confessed that he was visiting the Docks.

An incendiary bomb fell on to a stable roof and a motor-car immediately caught fire. The stableman and his wife, despite the terrific fire, rescued 11 horses, a watch-dog, and a caged bird, the only casualty being a bantam cock.

Another bomb fell on a small flat, where two children and three adults were killed.

A bomb, dropped in the street, caught a motor-bus carrying 20 persons. Ten were killed and ten injured.

These incidents suffice to show the real nature of the Zeppelin attacks.

AMERICA'S EXCHANGE.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
A New York message states that the extraordinary improvement in the exchange is regarded as indicating that the Anglo-French Commission is progressing most satisfactorily. The opposition of the German-Americans is growing less serious daily.

The participation of the north-west financiers appears already to be assured.

TURKISH MUNITIONS SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
A Russian destroyer, says a Petrograd telegram, sank near Simope another fleet of Turkish sailing vessels laden with munitions. The crews were captured.

THE FRENCH CAPTURE AN ENEMY POST.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
A Paris communiqué says that artillery duels continued at Artois, the French effectively shelling enemy machine-guns and trench mortars. There has been fighting with bombs and rifles in the Roye district. The French captured a small post north of Berry-au-Bac and brought down a captive balloon to the north-east of St. Mihiel. The French artillery in front of St. Mihiel shot a great bridge, three foot bridges, and a bridge of boats.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

FURTHER RUSSIAN SUCCESSES.

3,300 PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
A Petrograd communiqué states that the enemy's attacks west and south-west of Dvinsk continue. The stubborn fighting, which has long been in progress east of Vilna, has become more intense. Enemy detachments have reached the railway at various points on the left bank of the Vilna river, and here have been engagements with strong cavalry forces at many points in this region.

The Russians have scored further successes in the southern theatre, especially during the fight for the possession of Dorajno. The Russians, entering the town, hustled the enemy out to the neighbouring village, which was then stormed, the Russians capturing 2,000 prisoners; while, though the Russian counter-attack on the frontier village of Gutova, south-west of Vishnevets, failed to occupy the village it resulted in the capture of 563 prisoners. Another 814 prisoners were taken in the fight on the Strypa river, north of Butchany. The enemy were dislodged from the adjacent villages, and fled in disorder.

The communiqué concludes: The boldness of our troops along the whole front southwards of Rovno is successfully checking the enemy's counter-attacks, which are made in great strength.

CANADIAN EXPLORERS DISCOVER NEW LAND.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The explorer Stenstrom and his companions were seven months on the ice living on very scanty rations. They reached Bank's Land in a finished condition and were out of all chance reached Baillie Island, where whalers found them in the best of health and spirits. They discovered new land south-west of Patrick's Land.

CONSCRIPTION CONTROVERSY.

The Reported "Grave Crisis."

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
Inquiries in official quarters indicate that the reports of a grave crisis on the Cabinet over the subject of compulsory service must be taken with reserve. It is true that there are differences among Ministers on the subject, but hitherto the Cabinet has not discussed the question of compulsion. Recent meetings have been devoted to the subject of the Budget. It is stated that the Cabinet, under Mr. Asquith's guidance, subordinate all considerations to the maintenance and increase of the armies in the field with the support of a united people. No hasty action will be taken, and the Government are confident that an impasse will be avoided.

AUSTRIAN MARCHING COLUMNS SHELLED.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
Italian artillery, says a Rome message, continued to shell with destructive effect in the evening columns of Austrians marching at various points along the front.

RAILWAY TRAINS BOMBED.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
A Rome communiqué says that six reconnaissance revealed the presence of numerous trains in the stations on the Trieste railway, which were bombed and damaged.

FATE OF VILNA IN THE BALANCE.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The Germans, says a telegram from Petrograd, besides threatening Vilna from the north are endeavouring to drive a wedge of fifteen divisions of cavalry some fifty miles southward of the town. They have guns and quick-firers, accompanied by jeeps, in motor-waggon. This manoeuvre places the fate of Vilna in the balance. Refugees from the town report that there is uninterrupted cannonading by day and night with bombs dropping from Taubers and Albatrosses. The Russians are completing the evacuation of the factories; everything else has gone and the inhabitants have nearly all left.

ORIENTAL GENERAL BATTLE IMMINENT.

LONDON, Sept. 19.  
Experts are of opinion, says a Petrograd telegram, that an important strategic period has begun on the West and North fronts, where desperate actions by large forces are expected shortly to develop into a general battle such as has not been fought since the battle for Warsaw. The German advance on Kovno has been arrested, while the Russian 25 miles north-west of Dorajno, are scoring successes in south-western Volhynia and are advancing in the adjacent district of Galicia.

Fifteen German Army Corps in the Vilna and Orany districts are endeavouring to intercept the Russian retreat, but the enemy is himself in a precarious position, especially the army grouped near Nové Sviatitskany, which is threatened with strategic envelopment.

Experts conclude that the great battle will be fought on the circular line formed by Orany, Vilna, Sviatitskany, Vileyska, Melodetchna, Lyda and Orany.

TRADE UNIONISTS AND THE WAR.

Restrictions To Be Suspended.

LONDON, Sept. 18.  
A conference of Trade Unionists after listening to a speech by Mr. Lloyd George, passed a resolution accepting his statement that a further effort was necessary to increase the output of munitions; and pledging itself to secure the suspension of Trade Union restrictions. Also to assist in systematic investigations with a view to determining the least possible amount of skilled labour necessary to enable the machinery to be employed for 24 hours daily in order to facilitate the more extensive employment of unskilled male and female labour, and in the enrolment of volunteer workers.

EFFECTIVELY FRENCH ARTILLERY WORK.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The French artillery, says a Paris telegram, continues to cause heavy damage to the enemy's trenches and works. There has been some liveliness on the part of German heavy guns between the Somme and the Aisne, to which the French batteries replied energetically.

HEAVY CANNONADING ALONG WHOLE FRONT.

Sept. 18.  
The evening communiqué says:—There has been heavy cannonading along the whole front; the French artillery effectively continuing the destruction of the enemy defences. There was fighting with bombs and grenades at asphedens in the region of "Adregh" and "Gocher," and a sustained fusillade between the trenches in the Roye district.

(Havas Service.)

FRANCE'S WAR BUDGET.

New Credit To Be Opened.

LONDON, Sept. 16.  
M. Gillet, French Minister of Finance, has brought in a bill for opening a new credit of £1,200,000 (2 milliards, 200 millions francs) for the last quarter of 1915, thus bringing the total expenditure to 39 milliards of francs.

PRO-GERMAN POLICY OF BULGARIA.

Press Criticism Suppressed.

LONDON, Sept. 17.  
The *Times* correspondent at Sofia says that a writer of a newspaper article criticising the pro-German policy of the Government has been arrested and the journal suppressed.

DISAPPOINTED GERMANS.

Kaiser and the Poison Gas.

A German prisoner, captured recently during the fighting south of Meuse, made no attempt to hide his dissatisfaction with the progress of the German campaign, and declared that to day the majority of the Kaiser's troops no longer believed in victory.

"He said that he saw the Kaiser in company with Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria at Bouillon in the beginning of April. The text of an Imperial speech, in which reference was made to a new element of attack which would bring victory nearer, was distributed among the troops."

"We waited patiently," said the prisoner, "but nothing happened. Then our chief told us that the reference in the Kaiser's speech was to a surprising gas. I can tell you that many of us disapproved entirely of such methods, all the more so as during the trials with the gas there were many victims among our own men. However, we thought the use of the gas might at least bring the end of the war nearer. Now we see that it has made no difference."

"Since then we have been told that a new surprise is in store for the Allies. What it may be we do not know. What we do know is that our losses have been enormous and our troops are tired of the war."

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1915.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Continued from page 4.)

### "BOMBS FOR THE COUNTRY."

The bomb case embodying 39 cases and numerous preparations for the manufacture of bombs which came before the Lower Court a few weeks ago came before Mr. Justice Gumpert at the Criminal Sessions this afternoon when a Chinese named Chan Hui Chai was indicted for being in possession of an explosive substance under suspicious circumstances.

The Crown Solicitor prosecuted and Mr. F. G. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. Gardiner) defended.

The explosives were discovered in a basket as prisoner was going aboard a Canton bound boat, said the Crown Solicitor. Among the chemicals found was fulminate of silver which was highly dangerous and could be used in making detonators.

Mr. Duvey, Acting Government Analyst, said he had to destroy the fulminate of silver as it was so highly dangerous.

Replying to Mr. Jenkin, witness said that if anyone knew the dangerous properties of the chemical they would not carry it in a careless manner.

Mr. Justice Gumpert elicited that fulminate of silver was used in the manufacture of fireworks, particularly those known as "throw downs."

Prisoner from the box, said the articles were given him by his elder brother to take to the country. He had never seen such things before.

Mr. Jenkin. Neither have I, so I can believe you.

The Crown Solicitor: Where were you going to when you got to Canton?

Defendant said he was going to the Wu See village in the Pui Mui district. His brother had gone before him two days before.

Do you deny that you knew these heavy pieces of iron—these cases were in your basket? Defendant said his brother told him it was ironware. He said to him "What use are they?" and his brother answered: "They will be useful when we get back to the country."

Answering another question put by his Lordship prisoner said he sold cigarette papers for a livelihood.

Addressing the jury Mr. Hodgson said he could not conceive of prisoner knowing any other than that the iron cases were for bombs. Every Chinaman knew what a bomb was; they were full of bombs.

Mr. Jenkin said the Crown Solicitor had no right to make such a statement. There was no evidence on that point. Prisoner was either a bomb-runner or a boobie.

The first defendant was found guilty by a majority of five to two, and sentenced to three years' hard labour, the second being discharged.

## THE LOCAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Afternoon quotations for the most active shares on the local market are, as notified on by Messrs. Vernon and Smyth, as follows:—

Douglas	.....\$80	buyers
Cement	.....\$ 9.80	"
Docks	.....\$82	"
Indos (combined)	.....\$157	sales
China Sugars	.....\$154	quiet

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

### KING'S PARK RANGE.

The range is allotted to the 74th Punjabis on Friday, 24th inst., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### LEAVE.

Corpl. J. F. Goss is granted leave of absence from 25.9.15 to 23.10.15.

### PARADES.

Parades for Tuesday, 21st instant, at 5.30 p.m.:

Recruits of Right Section M.G. Co.—Squad drill on Crickies Ground.

Recruits of all units (except Right Section M.G. Co. and Signalling Section) who have not been passed out—Squad drill and rifle exercises at Headquarters under Sergt-Major Higby and Sergt. T. Sutherland (Eng. Co.)

Stretcher Bearer Section—Instruction at Headquarters.

Remainder—Lecture at Headquarters by the Inspecting Officer.

### DETAILS.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon:—

On duty until morning of 26th inst.: H.K.V.R.

Next for duty: No. 2 Section Artillery Battery. Officer on duty: Lieut. Danby.

Detention Camp, Kowloon:—

On duty until morning of 26th inst.: H.K.V.R.

Next for duty:—

Sept. 26th, Scouts Company. Officer on duty: Capt. Hutchison.

Sept. 27th, Scouts Company. Officer on duty: Capt. Stewart.

Sept. 28th, Scouts Company. Officer on duty: Lieut. Murphy.

Sept. 29th, Centre Sec. M.G. Co. Officer on duty: Capt. G. G. Wood.

Sept. 30th, No. 1 Section Artillery Battery. Officer on duty: Lieut. Kennell.

Oct. 1st, Civil Service Company. Officer on duty: Lieut. Lindell.

Oct. 2nd, Left Sec. M.G. Co. Officer on duty: Capt. Armstrong.

Orderly Officer 26th Sept. to 3rd Oct.: Lieut. Bees.

Orderly Sergeant 26th Sept. to 3rd Oct.: Sergt. Hall.

Deaths last week in the Colony included one each from plague and cholera, and two from enteric fever.

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# BY TELEGRAPH. THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

## MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND CONSCRIPTION.

### GERMANS CLAIM THAT VILNA HAS FALLEN.

### CANADIAN TROOPS COMPLEMENTED BY SIR JOHN FRENCH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND CONSCRIPTION.

LONDON, Sept. 19.

Mr. Lloyd George, in a letter to a correspondent, says: "You say rightly that the Government ought to give the Nation a lead regarding the question of whether the general obligation on every able-bodied man to defend his country should be converted during this war into a legal obligation. I can assure you that the Government is fully alive to the necessity of giving a definite lead and are examining the subject with a view to coming to a right decision. If the figures demonstrate that we can win with the voluntary system it would be folly to provoke a controversy. On the other hand, if the figures demonstrate that voluntaryism has exhausted its utility and that nothing but legal pressure can give us the armies necessary to defend the honour of Great Britain and save Europe from the triumph of military despotism, I have not yet heard of the man who would resist compulsion in these circumstances. Men who say they would offer resistance to this expedient have not yet appeared in the arena. If they do, I predict that they will not receive the support of the working classes."

Mr. Lloyd George pleads for the elimination of all personal recruitment at this critical time and scathingly denounces the mischief makers. "I am convinced," he adds, "that nothing but the exertion of our whole strength will enable us to obtain victory, upon which so much depends. Therefore, I am bound to do my best to secure that effort without the least regard to the effect on my own political fortunes. I withdraw nothing of what I said regarding the seriousness of the position. Naturally, I take a hopeful view, but so far events have justified my apprehensions. I have felt driven by the jeopardy of my native land to sound the note of alarm, and I have done so in the confident belief that if it succeeds in rousing us in time to put forth all our strength we shall win."

## FALL OF VILNA REPORTED.

LONDON, Sept. 19.

Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent telegraphs that a German official telegram claims that Vilna has fallen and that the Russians are retreating.

## CANADIAN TROOPS SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENTS.

COMPLEMENTED BY SIR JOHN FRENCH.

LONDON, September 19.

Field-Marshal Sir John French recently paid a visit to a Canadian cavalry brigade, including the 2nd King Edward's Horse, and in a speech paid a tribute to the splendid manner in which, early in the year, when the Canadian infantry suffered greatly, they had volunteered to leave their horses and come out here. He dwelt on their prominent part in the battle of Festubert and also at Givenchy. Since then till a few days ago they had been working their hardest in the trenches. He concluded by saying their record would go down to posterity as one of the most splendid in British history.

## THE FRENCH MAKE A NUMBER OF PRISONERS NEAR PERONNE.

LONDON, Sept. 19.

Reuter's Paris correspondent states that there has been marked artillery activity on the whole front, while in the region of Peronne, the Germans, after exploding a very powerful mine, attacked but were repulsed; the French making a number of prisoners. There was a fierce grenade fight in the Vosges.

## FUTURE "MORE ANXIOUS FOR GERMANY THAN FOR ENGLAND."

LONDON, September 19.

The Earl of Selborne, President of the Board of Agriculture, speaking at Norwich, said the future outlook was more anxious for Germany than for us. He warned his audience against believing Press statements on the subject of compulsory service. There was no idea of legislation with a view to industrial compulsion. He said that Lord Kitchener had decided that skilled labourers on farms should be on the same footing as munition workers.

## SWAMP FIGHTING IN EAST GALICIA.

LONDON, Sept. 19.

An Austrian communiqué, says a telegram from Amsterdam, states that the fighting in East Galicia has greatly slackened and that the situation is completely unchanged; but it admits that the Russian attacks on the Volhynian triangle are growing more severe.

German correspondents along this front dilate on the bad weather and roads, hampering the Austrians and Germans and creating enormous difficulties in keeping the troops supplied. They describe the roads as bottomless swamps like last autumn, and impassable for automobiles. Army horses are useless and the whole of the transport falls to little native horses which alone are equal to the immense strain. They state the Russian commander General Frunze profited by these conditions to develop an offensive on an extended scale.

## GERMAN SUPPLIES FROM SWEDEN.

Important Restrictive Measures.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

A telegram from Copenhagen, states that Sweden has prohibited the transit by sea between one Swedish port and another all goods the export of which is prohibited. Steamers thus trafficking have been failing to reach their alleged destination and it is known that some reached or were taken to Germany.

The authorities at Stockholm have detained a steamer which was starting from Malmö with half a million kilograms of lard.

## SWEDEN'S LACK OF COAL.

Great anxiety prevails in Sweden at the practical stoppage of the import of coal from England. Many of the gasworks and factories are in a desperate position.

Reuter has good authority for stating that the British Government is prepared to issue licences for numerous commodities on the prohibited export list, if delivery in Sweden is provided, that Sweden allows the transit of an agreed amount of goods to Russia.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

BRITISH SEIZURES OF CARGO.

American Note To Britain.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

A telegram from Washington states that Mr. Lansing, the Secretary of State, has announced that the Note to Great Britain is ready. It appears that the dispatch of the Note is delayed pending a further German reply on the submarine question. It is understood that the Note holds that the burden of proof in seizure of cargoes rests with Great Britain and not with the American owners and shippers.

## DUTCH HOSPITAL SHIP FOR THE FRENCH.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The steamer *Rutland*, chartered by private initiative in Holland, and equipped as a hospital ship with 200 beds, has arrived at Havre, says a Paris telegram, and has been placed at the disposal of the French Red Cross.

## BULGARIA AND THE ENTENTE POWERS.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

According to a Sofia telegram, on the 14th inst., representatives of the Entente Powers called separately on the Premier and handed him communications, the contents of which were not divulged.

## ZEPPELINS OVER HOLLAND.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The constant violation of Dutch territory by Zeppelins is arousing uneasiness and indignation in Holland, says a telegram from Amsterdam.

(Havas Service.)

PARIS, Sept. 17.

A German submarine sunk, in Rhodes roadstead, the French auxiliary cruiser "Indian" of 800 tons. Of 62 men aboard 11 are missing. Petrograd:—We captured in Dobruja region 1,000 prisoners; and machine guns.

The Times announces that the Quadruple Entente, having examined Serbia's reply, decided to hand a new note to the Bulgarian Government.

Sept. 18.

Rome:—A decree issued by the Governor of Trieste orders the town to be evacuated.

The Turco-Bulgarian agreement, initiated, will be submitted to the Sultan for signature.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 2.)

# SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, August 18.

THE GREAT SMOKE-STACKING.

National Registration has been the most widely discussed topic in Scotland during the past week; even liquor-licensing has attracted little attention. The reason for this is that we are on the threshold of a great new departure. Of course it is authoritatively stated that the Registration is simply for the mobilisation of the munition industry, but as a whole, people are not at all in dealing with the schedules returned by the Government will look upon the military necessities of the nation as paramount. In spite of this, the difficulties are not so great as those at the taking of the last Census, and the Scottish official report is that the work has been accomplished with a quietness, smoothness, and efficiency that is quite marvellous.

In some parts of Scotland, especially in the industrial districts, Registration has had a distinct effect on recruiting. Many men did not want to have anything to do with the "pink form." In Glasgow, where there was a great rush to the colours, and there was a great recruiting campaign on Saturday night, the effect was very different. One unpleasant feature was the flight of some thousands of Irishmen, in the hope that they would thereby escape all liability for service, even on munition. The harvesters in many cases left the fields half-ploughed; but no great feeling was aroused against them, as they were looked upon as casuals. The departure of regular farm labourers of Irish extraction, however, caused some local feeling; to such an extent that the local police had to be called out to the farms to see that some farms were not left in a state of neglect.

The Irishmen are reported as practically all ex-labourers. The anxiety to evade Registration was also witnessed in manufacturing centres. When the war broke out, many hundreds of young men, for instance, left Motherwell, their works for the Army, and their places were taken by men from Ireland; now these young Irishmen have taken alarm at the Registration papers, and crowded every boat back to Dublin, only to be told that they were not to be "exempted," others think that by spending last week-end in Ireland they will escape Registration, but in this they may discover themselves mistaken.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC CONTROL.

With the application of the new Liquor Control Regulations to the East, Central, and Clyde areas of Scotland, the greater part of our population are being regulated. The subject of the lines of the new framed for the North-Eastern area of England, the towns on the Tyne, the Tees, and the Wear, but there is one real difference. The Board has not thought it wise to put an absolute embargo on the Saturday sale of spirits in Scotland, though perhaps it has done the next most effective thing in prohibiting off-sale on Saturdays and allowing retailers to water whisky down to 55 degrees under proof instead of the existing standard of 50 degrees. It may be remembered, was one of Mr. Lloyd George's specialties for reducing drink. Publicans and grocers will be very nearly on a level as regards the hours for the sale of beer and wine, but the licensed grocer will be hit, more or less, by the whole of his whisky trade will have to be concentrated within two and a half hours each day from Monday to Friday, and on Saturday he will be scattered from sell his goods.

The orders of a new will cause more than slight inconvenience; but that is of no account in war time. And public opinion is with the Government in striving by every means to increase our military efficiency. Of that there cannot be the slightest doubt. After making a few remarks on the new regulations, the general opinion seems to be a regret.

PNEUMONIA.

HAVE you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain-Balm for pneumonia? If not, you are wasting time. As the latest this disease runs, the balm is to be given. It is a powerful remedy for pneumonia, and it will be applied and rubbed at the throat, the chest, and the back, and it will be applied by all chemists and druggists.

(To be continued.)

# BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CANADIAN POLAR EXPLORER.

LONDON, Sept. 17, 5.30 p.m.

An Ottawa telegram states that news has been received that Stefansson, leader of the Canadian Polar Expedition, who has long been reported dead, is still alive.

# KWANGTUNG FLOOD RELIEF FUND.

The Tung Wa Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Kwangtung Flood Relief Fund:

Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association at Los Angeles, U.S.A.	9000.00
Per Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, Victoria, B.C., from Min Nang Reading Room	400.00
Chinese Society at Singapore	117.00
Siam	100.00
Punjab & Lahore Chamber of Commerce, Ipoh	338.37
Wong Yee Yee Sit Tin, Vancouver, C.S.	38.45
Tin Tai Joo's subscription book	90.00
Already acknowledged	543,109.45
Total	\$431,200.45

# GERMAN NAVAL 16-INCH GUNS.

In reference to a telegram, announcing the launching of a new German battleship carrying 16-in. guns, a "Daily Mail" New York correspondent sent the following:

According to a letter received from a German naval officer interned in Holland, Germany, since the war began, has not only added to her submarines she has also completed and commissioned a Dreadnought of 23,800 tons and a battle-cruiser of 18,500 tons and 18-inch guns have been substituted for the 12-in. guns which they were originally designed to carry.

These alterations were prompted by reports of the destruction wrought by the 16-in. guns of the Queen Elizabeth. Two very fast cruisers have also been completed, according to the writer, and by the end of the year Germany will have at her disposal four more Dreadnoughts and a number of battle-cruisers.

These latter ships, the writer remarks, are rapidly nearing completion and will, it is said, be armed with guns even heavier than the 16 in. At the Cockerill works, near Liege, he says, twelve small submarines have been built, displacing from 200 to 250 tons apiece. They are in sections and can be taken to pieces and moved by rail. Their submerged speed is 12 knots and their surface speed 16. They can fire two torpedoes simultaneously. Six of the boats were ready on June 1.

48, NEW SCOTLANDERS.

The Germanias, Krupp's Vulcan, Howaldt, Blohm and Voigt, and Schichau yards, the officer states, have since the beginning of the war turned out twenty-four submarines, each of 1,500 tons, with a submerged speed of 16, and a surface speed of 20 knots. These boats carry 4 torpedo tubes and 2 heavy quick-firing guns.

They have a steaming radius of 3,000 miles, and are fast enough to overhail all but the fastest liners. It was one of this class which made the run to the Dardanelles. The same yards are stated by the officer to have turned out twelve submarines of 800 tons each, with a submerged speed of 15 and a surface speed of 20 knots, carrying 4 torpedo tubes and 2 quick-firing guns. Finally they have completed besides the above twelve smaller submarines of 300 tons each, with (five) torpedo tubes and one quick-firing gun, a surface speed of 15 knots, and a submerged speed of 14. Half these submarines are already in commission.

The purchase price of the Star and Garter Hotel, Richmond, which the Auctioneers and Estate Agents' Institute of the United Kingdom is about to present to a Royal personage for the purpose of a hospital for paralysed soldiers, will be not quite £27,000, and about £30,000 will be spent in alterations. Queen Alexandra has been first to express herself delighted with the property.

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG (LUB)

NOTICE

THE TWENTY-EIGHT HALF-YEAR DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES OF THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, (1896 issue) \$100.00 each, was held in the Court House on MONDAY, the 20th September, 1915, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption—

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and will be Payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on THURSDAY, the 24th September, 1915, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,

E. DEAS VIGOR,

Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1915.

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# CURADERMA—THE NEW SKIN SPECIFIC

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No. 1 Dock, Kowloon	100	10	10	10	10	10
No. 2 Dock, Kowloon	100	10	10	10	10	10
No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	100	10	10	10	10	10
Patent Slip, No. 1, Kowloon	100	10	10	10	10	10
Patent Slip, No. 2, Kowloon	100	10	10	10	10	10
TAIKO WAT						
Common Dock	100	10	10	10	10	10
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Hope Dock	100	10	10	10	10	10
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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.  
September 19.  
Pineapple, British steamer, 4,625, Brown, Shanghai Sept. 15, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Loire, British str., 1,340, A. Jenkins, Saigon September 14, Rice and General.—CRINTEA.

September 19.  
Nippon Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,451, A. Totaka, San Francisco August 21, Rice Honolulu 27, Yokohama Sept. 10, Kobe 12, Nagasaki 13, and Shanghai 16, Mails and General.—TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

Haiton, British steamer, 1,183, J. W. Evans, Foochow Sept. 14, Amoy 17, and Swatow 18, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.  
Chryseis, British steamer, 1,104, H. G. Walker, Weihaiwei Sept. 15, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Prometheus, Norwegian str., 1,024, O. Haugen, Bangkok September 15, Rice.—THOMSEN & CO.  
Furukawa, British steamer, 1,410, F. C. Perkins, Tientsin Sept. 15, Sugar.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Wanda Maru, Japanese str., 2,923, Asai, Moji Sept. 15, Coal.—SUZUKI & CO.  
Tsunami Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,923, Port Couder Sept. 16, Coal.—M. B. R. K.  
Kankoku, British str., 1,922, R. Lawie, Bangkok and Swatow Sept. 18, Rice and Timber.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Chongching, British str., from Canton.  
Kwang Lee, Chinese str., from Canton.

September 20.  
Sinhing, British steamer, 1,816, C. C. Williams, Shanghai Sept. 16, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Footing, British steamer, 1,072, F. M. Dillon, Tientsin Sept. 14, Salt.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Taidun, Chinese str., 1,200, Westerland, Shanghai Sept. 18, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Kyushu, British str., 987, J. B. Evans, Haiphong and Hoihow Sept. 19, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Sir Richard, British str., 1,235, H. Tindall, Chingwa Sept. 19, Coal.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

Demodocis, British str., 4,260, A. E. Dodd, Liverpool and Singapore Sept. 14, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Liangchow, British str., from Canton.

September 20.  
Tairun Maru, for Hoihow and Singapore.  
Daijin Maru, for Swatow and Tamsui.  
Hanyang, for Singapore.

Para Yang, for Singapore.  
Toson Maru, for Canton.  
Toson Maru, for Hoihow and Haiphong.  
Anhui, for Shanghai.

Chongching, for Canton.  
Ryusho Maru, for Canton.  
September 20.  
Pineapple, for Singapore and Liverpool.  
Dagun, for Hoihow.

Eyer, for Canton.  
Japan, for Singapore and Calcutta.

CLEARED.  
Chongching, for Weihaiwei and Tientsin.  
Toson Maru, for Swatow.  
Toson Maru, for Singapore and Calcutta.

PASSENGERS.  
September 19.  
Per Nippon Maru, from San Francisco, etc., Mr. A. Ankersmit, Mr. R. J. Bhoole, Mr. R. S. Bhoole, Mr. Geo. Brown, Mr. J. L. Blanco, Mr. Wm. D. Bryner, Mr. John Canaan, Mr. Mrs. J. R. Corbin, Miss E. Donaldson, Miss E. Fife, Miss Eunice Fife, Mr. Victor A. Foster, Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Ford, Mr. D. J. Mack, Mr. R. A. Gharage, Mr. K. D. Gharage, Mr. H. R. Hammer, Mr. G. Hadam, Mrs. Geo. B. Hoelcker, Mr. F. T. Hough, Mrs. H. McI. Irwin, Mr. K. B. Ingle, Miss Alice S. Jones, Miss E. K. Lewis, Mr. D. M. J. E. Mercier, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Manry, Miss E. Morgan, Mr. E. S. Newkerk, Mr. Harth Olsen, Mr. C. E. Ozorio, Mr. E. B. Parmer, Mr. K. B. Francis, Judge and Mrs. P. S. Powell, Miss Mary Powell, Miss L. R. Powell, Mr. H. R. Rand, Mr. F. J. Forster, Miss E. L. Smith, Mr. F. J. Stepp, Mr. F. E. Samuel, Mr. F. Sorens, Master E. S. Soares, Mr. K. G. Banoji, Miss Edith I. Kreyer, Mr. S. Miyachi, Mr. B. Rochman, Mr. K. Roy, Mr. K. K. Roy.

Per Chongching, from Weihaiwei, Mrs. Curtis and family.  
Per Haiton, from Coast Ports, Miss G. L. Loppock, Miss H. L. Houtelle, Miss L. Schulz.  
Per Chongching, from Hangkong, etc., Mr. Christensen.  
Per Nanyang, from Shanghai, Mrs. Cognat, Mrs. Nanyang.

SHIPPING REPORTS.  
The British steamer Haiton from Swatow, reports: Fine clear, cloudy, smooth sea.  
The British steamer Chongching from Weihaiwei reports: Strong N.E. monsoon to variable winds, moderate sea, showery.  
The British steamer Nanyang from Shanghai reports: Light variable winds, smooth sea, fine clear weather.

September 21st to 27th, 1915.  
The tide-table given below has been compiled at the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be a few 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide range at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 feet 4 inches, and on the range at Lamoo Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

HONGKONG TIDES.  
This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Far East.

Further details can always be given to the Harbour Office.

J. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

TYPHOON SIGNALS.

TOYON WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE KOWLOON OBSERVATORY.

The following Typhoon signals and notices on the Masted on Signal Hill, Kowloon, the Harbour Office, the Kowloon Godown, H. M. S. Tamar, Green Island, Standard Oil Premises, Laidok and F. O. Quarantine, Yuenmoon.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 20th at 10.45.—Pressure has increased slightly over the Philippines, and decreased slightly to moderately elsewhere.

The anticyclone has again weakened, and depression over the Eastern Sea and the south part of the China Sea.

Light to moderate S.E. winds may be expected over the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on September 21st.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: E. and S.E. winds, light to moderate; fair to cloudy.

2.—Formosa Channel: Light southerly or variable winds.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. SEPTEMBER 20, 1915.

NAVY.

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corp., 120,000, \$125, all, \$820 buyers, 6 1/2 o/s.

MARINE INSURANCE.

Canton Insurance Office Ltd., 10,000, \$250, all, \$420 buyers, 6 o/s.

North China Insurance Co. Ltd., 10,000, \$15, all, \$150 buyers, 6 o/s.

Union Insurance Society, Ltd., 12,000, \$20, all, \$90, 7 o/s.

Yangtze Insurance Assoc., Ltd., 12,000, \$100, all, \$243 buyers, 6 1/2 o/s.

FIRE INSURANCE.

China Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., 25,000, \$100, all, \$161 buyers, 7 o/s.

Hongkong Fire Insur. Co. Ltd., 8,000, \$250, all, \$420 buyers, 7 o/s.

COCKS, ETC.

H'kong & W'poo Dock Co. Ltd., 60,000, \$80, all, \$250 buyers, 4 1/2 o/s.

Shanghai Dock & Rep. Co. Ltd., 65,000, \$100, all, \$150 buyers, 4 1/2 o/s.

New Engineering & S. R. Works Ltd., 150,000, \$75, all, \$150 buyers.

STEAMSHIPS, ETC.

China and Manila S.S. Co. Ltd., 30,000, \$20, all, 40 cts. buyers, 1st return of \$4.

Douglas Steamship Co., Limited, 20,000, \$50, all, \$89, d. buyers, 6 o/s.

H.K. & C. M. S. B. Co. Ltd., 80,000, \$15, all, \$300 buyers, 4 o/s.

Indo China S. N. Co., Ltd., 60,000, \$20, all, Preferred \$127 sales, Deferred \$38 buyers.

Star Ferry Company, Ltd., 40,000, \$10, all, \$55 buyers, 6 1/2 o/s.

Shanghai & Trade Co., Ltd., 4,047,810, \$1, all, 90% sales & sellers 8 o/s.

IMPERIAL.

China Sugar Company, Limited, 40,000, \$100, all, \$134 quiet.

Luxon Sugar Company Limited, 2,000, \$10, all, \$38.

WHALES.

H.K. & S. Wharf & Godown Co., 4,000, \$50, all, \$78 buyers, 5 o/s.

Shanghai & Hangchow Wharf Co., 40,000, \$10, all, \$15, 2 o/s.

LANDS AND BUILDINGS.

Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Limited, 50,000, \$100, all, \$168 buyers, 6 1/2 o/s.

Hongkong Central Estate Ltd., 10,000, \$10, all, \$100.

Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. Ltd., 20,000, \$10, all, \$75.

S'hai Land Investment Co., Ltd., 78,000, \$10, all, \$105.

Kowloon Land & Building Co., 6,000, \$50, all, \$40 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., 150,000, \$10, all, \$7.15 sellers, 6 o/s.

West Point Building Co., Ltd., 15,000, \$50, all, \$73 buyers, 6 o/s.

TRAMWAYS.

The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., 55,000, \$10, all, \$34 buyers, 8 o/s.

Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd., 325,000, \$10, all, \$5.10 buyers, 6 o/s.

MINING.

Ural Caspian Oil Corp. Ltd., 1,000,000, \$21, all, 40/6.

Chinese Engin. Mining Co. Ltd., 1,000,000, \$21, all, 30/.

Trench Mines, Limited, 100,000, \$21, all, 31/6 buyers.

Ranch Atlas Gold Mining Co. Ltd., 220,000, \$21, all, \$33 sellers.

BOATY.

Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd., 80,000, \$60, all, \$112 buyers, 4 o/s.

INTERNATIONAL.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, 50,000, \$10, all, \$6.85.

LIQUORS.

Hongkong Electric Co., Limited, 80,000, \$10, all, \$43 buyers, 6 o/s.

COTTON MILLS.

Shai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 40,000, \$1, all, \$105 sales.

Kung Yik Cotton S. & W. Co. Ltd., 100,000, \$10, all, \$161 sales.

International Cotton Manufacturing Co. Ltd., 10,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers.

Lung Kung Cotton S. & W. Co., Limited, 5,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers.

Sooyohsee Cotton S. & W. Co. Ltd., 20,000, \$10, all, \$11 buyers.

Two Cotton Spinning & Weaving Company Limited, 20,000, \$10, all, \$11 buyers.

El'kong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd., 125,000, \$10, all, \$9 buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., 400,000, \$10, all, \$29 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

Union Waterboat Co., Limited, 50,000, \$10, all, \$15 buyers, 8 o/s.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Company, 40,000, \$10, all, \$4 buyers, 11 o/s.

Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, 8,500, \$25, all, \$13 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

H.K. Hope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 60,000, \$10, all, \$20 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

Maestri & Co. Ltd., 250,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Limited, 500,000, \$10, all, \$83 buyers, 6 1/2 o/s.

Wing Pow, Limited, 20,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

South China Morning Post, 20,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

China Light & Power Company, 20,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

Steam Laundry Co., Limited, 20,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

LOANS.

Chinese Imperial 1888, \$1,000,000, \$10, all, \$10 buyers, 7 1/2 o/s.

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